

SUDDEN DEATH.

Demise of an Eminent Free-Mason.

It is our sad duty to record the death of the venerable Colonel JOSHUA BIGELOW, which occurred at his late residence, in this place, on the night of the 7th inst. He had been ailing for some years, and frequently spoke of his belief that he would soon "shuffle off this mortal coil"; but none of his intimate friends supposed that his end was so near. After dark on the night of his death, he seemed unusually cheerful, and talked with several gentlemen. He lived alone in a small house on Second Street, on Mr. Ralston's property; and about 10 o'clock, some of the latter gentleman's family heard the Colonel opening a fruit-cask, but as he was rather eccentric in his habits, no notice was taken of the noise. On the morning of the 8th, however, when a young colored boy went to take him his breakfast, he found him lying dead upon the floor. Drs. Dent and Simpson were immediately summoned, and after an examination of the body, they gave it as their opinion that he had died suddenly from congestion—and that his death had been so sudden that he never knew it or suffered any pain whatever. He had evidently died without a struggle. Colonel Bigelow was 80 years of age in December last. He was a Pennsylvanian by birth, and was a gallant soldier in the war of 1812, having served as a sergeant during that struggle in the 32d United States Infantry. In 1819 he came to Virginia, and remained two years in Richmond, from whence he moved to Winchester, where he became a member of Hiram Lodge, A. F. and A. M. At the time of his death he had been a Mason 54 years. About 1821 Colonel Bigelow was offered and accepted a position in the Faculty of the University of Virginia, where he remained some years; and after a sojourn in some of the more Southern States, he returned to Charlottesville, where he became Master of the Charlottesville Lodge. By his devotion to the tenets of Masonry, and his rare talent as an instructor in the work, he became a leader in the Fraternity, and after holding the position of District Deputy Grand Master, he was honored for many years by the position of Deputy Grand Master of the State. In 1848 he removed to Buckhannon, then in Lewis county, but subsequently came to this place. After the formation of the new State, he became a West Virginia Mason what have been to the Fraternity in the Old Dominion. Had he not promptly declined to serve he would have been the first Masonic Grand Master in West Virginia. He was too modest to seek high position, but contented himself with working to secure the advancement of the best interests of the Order he loved so well, and the happiness and prosperity of his brethren. In this portion of the State, no man was so much revered among Masons as Colonel Bigelow. The Lodge at Philadelphia named after him; while the members of the Fraternity at Buckhannon, Boverly, Clarksburg, Shinnston, and other points looked upon him almost as a father. His opinion was standard authority in matters of Masonic jurisprudence; and by his death is swept away probably the oldest (and certainly the most experienced) member of the Fraternity west of the Blue Ridge.

Colonel Bigelow had never married. He was essentially a literary man; and delighted more in the pleasures of study than in the gayeties of life. He had a keen sense of the beautiful; and was the most accomplished musician, before old age robbed him of his vigor, that was known in this or the old State. As a citizen he was quiet and unobtrusive—as a man he was pure and upright. He leaves behind him hosts of sorrowing friends, and not a single enemy.

How few there are who die so well as peace with the world! The remains were interred on the morning of the 9th, in the beautiful burying-ground on the farm of Jacob Bueher, Esq., near town, at a spot which the Colonel had long ago selected as his last resting place. The ceremonies were conducted by the Weston Lodge, of which Colonel Bigelow was a member, assisted by members of the Fraternity from neighboring towns.

ITEMS FROM WESTERN FRIEND. I suppose the readers of your good paper would be glad to hear from the Independent State of West Virginia, as it has been some time since I have attempted to write. In the first place I would say that I hope your welcome trip to the county-seat was greatly appreciated by yourself and your friend, and hope that you arrived home safe and sound. We have had wet weather for some weeks passed, and it is raining to day. Crops look well so far. The fruit is principally all killed by the heavy freezes in the spring. This being the case, apple-jack will be scarce in the Independent State this fall. Robert F. Green caught and killed a large bear a few days ago, in a pen set for that purpose, near the head of Burgoe Creek. The bear was in very fine condition, and made good meat. Some 2 weeks ago myself and a party from Pennsylvania were on William's and Gauley rivers in search of the beautiful lands that are spread out on those two streams and their tributaries. They are covered down to the very verge on both sides with the finest of timber, such as poplar, white oak, black walnut, sugar, beech, and on the top, or between these streams are fine fields covered with wild cherries. These two streams will some day be the paradise of the lumbermen of West Virginia, as they are a total dense forest of fine timber, and easy of access.

Yours, &c. B. McLOUGHAN, Surveyor of Independent State, Addison, June 28.

We are glad to note that the State of Clarksburg so deservedly popular in this country have bought on Mr. Taylor, the successful and will carry the same during the summer.

COLUMBIA.

The following poem was written and read at the recent Commencement of the Fairmont Normal School, by A. C. Law, of this county, who graduated at that time. Subsequently, by request, Mr. Law read the poem at the Commencement of the Glenview Normal School. A general desire has been expressed that it should be printed; and as it is a production of real merit, we surrender the space necessary for its publication:

Hail Columbia, Happy Land! From Arctic seas to Patagonia's strand, Like eagle great with wide extended wings, Whose glory might to fowl dread horror bring, Thou spreadest far out o'er the mighty deep, Along thy shores two ocean's billows sweep. With one continued swelling swift they roll With restless ebb, and flow from pole to pole. And all degrees of climate, too, thou hast, From summer breeze to winter's chill and blast, The back untiding summer always glides, Thy seas dips perpetual winter chills.

High heaved and massive on thy southern wing, The grim and towering Andes mountains spring, Whose snow-capped peaks above the mists of gray, Look forth to greet the rising king of day, Volcanoes here, with fiftal, thundering roar, Adown their sides their liquid billows pour.

But here, encircled by these mountain's wild, Clear Fittica's verdant region smiles. Upon the east swift couring to the main, Three mighty rivers flow across the plain. Our proud Monongahela's winding stream, Would by their side a meagre brooklet seem.

Although those mountain heights are full of gold, Of silver, diamonds, gems and wealth untold, Although those plains are rich and fair to scan, They lack the work of educated man. But leave my muse this wide extended clime By nature stamped with all she owns sublime.

Now to the north my wand'ring vision turns, Where Mexico with tropic seasons burns. Her mountain peaks are also full of gold, Her lofty valleys strewn with wealth untold. And dashing proudly 'gainst her eastern shore, The surging billows of the Great Gulf roar.

Upon whose broad and rolling spacious tide, The thronging fleets of various nations ride. Here fertile lands their rich luxuriance pour, And western dainties crown the eastern shore. Yet this my high ideal can't suffice; I seek yet lovelier climes, yet milder skies. Behold where Mississippi's sluggish tide, With mighty rivers wedding both its sides, Flows grandly on adown the spreading plain To mingle with and swell the neighboring main.

Here, where are nature's fairest, choicest fields—A lovelier view this earth nowhere reveals. High ranging 'long the misty eastern skies, The lofty Appalachian mountains rise; While grimly stretching far along the west, The Rocky Ranges left their rugged crest. These mountains, and valley, hill and dale, And knoll, With rise and fall, extend far toward the pole. Five hundred years ago, in all this clime, No white man's voice poured forth its echoing chime; But here the dusky lover woo'd his mate, Not by the light of lamp or flaming grate, But by the misty light of rising moon. His maiden's brow was decked with gay festoon.

Yet and so said it is to strike thee, That tells their joy and peace all swept away. For from the sunrise or the deep there came A whisper, race, with more exalted name. With three small ships and ninety men as crew, Columbus braved the deep and hither drew. To all the East the fact was then made known, That far away were lands besides their own. With love for wild adventure—lust for gold, The public mind was raised to heights untold. And thousands, disregarding laws of right, Sought glory, wealth and honor, by their might.

Who, seizing on the Indians' hunting lands, Brought death and swift destruction to their hands. Two hundred years and more have passed away, Since lonely Pilgrims entered Plymouth Bay, Inspired by Freedom's thought, borne on by Freedom's breeze, They nobly dared to cross the stormy sea.

This persecuted, brave and pious band, Sought peace and refuge in a foreign land. These were the noble, true sons of toll, Who felt the forests, built nest homes and tilled the soil. New cast your peering vision far and wide, Where countless thousands peacefully reside. For side by side close lie each sister State, From Plymouth Rock to Bunker's Golden Gate; And south from vast Superior's noble sheet, To where the Gulf and Mississippi meet, A happy Nation's life is the blissful seat, Where nature's gifts and art's improvements meet.

Thy temperate air breathes health; thy fertile soil In copious plenty pays the Granger's toil. Ask not for mountains of Peruvian ore; Nor strive for gold on California's shore; For waving fields of golden grain outshine The choicest ores from out the richest mine. Here busy commerce too unfurls her sail, Loads thousand barks and carts the inland gale.

Swift couring up and down our winding stream, The breathing steamboat, floating palace screams; And through the mountain, down the winding vale, The locomotive thunders o'er the rail. From east to west with ceaseless puff and roar, The iron-horse onward sweeps from shore to shore.

While manufacturers from the busy East, Make light the labor of the growing West; And goods produced from the fertile West, Weigh down the bounteous tables of the East. And broad plantations of the Sunny South, With dainties crown the markets of the North. While countless products from the thronging North, Are sent to bless the people of the South. Thus North and South and East and West, By strongest ties of peaceful union blest; With hand in hand can dwell in harmony, Beneath that grand old motto—"Liberty."

Yet 'twas by blood upon the battle field, That this great liberty to us was sealed. And let this fact inspire each patriot heart, 'Till Freedom's son's shall nobly act their part. To make our glorious Union sure to stand, And give us lasting peace throughout our land, To have us prize our blood-bought liberty, And ever dwell in one fraternity, Our minds with useful knowledge must be filled, The box of truth in every heart installed. Let universal education be our cry, 'Till all the chorus echo from the sky. 'Till all the rest of earth from pole to pole, In concord, peace and love, possess one soil.

COLONEL THOMAS H. DEWITT, for many years Secretary of the Board of Public Works of Virginia, committed suicide Wednesday morning, blowing his brains out with a rifle. He was 60 years old, and had been in ill health for a long time. Colonel Dewitt, who was a native of New York, was a prominent Mason and was much esteemed in Richmond.

Teacher's Institute in Braxton.

SESSION, June 28.

Editors Democrat.—The State Normal Teachers' Institute, held in Sutton by Prof. W. J. Kenney and Mrs. T. J. Berry, closed last Friday at noon, with results which it is to be hoped will be of great benefit to the teachers in attendance. The Institute was opened Monday the 14th inst., by Mrs. T. J. Berry. (Prof. Kenney not having yet arrived) and skillfully and profitably conducted for two days—the exercises being confined to the primary branches required by law to be taught in our common schools, and were conducted in a manner not only adapted to discover the theoretical and practical knowledge of these branches, but also the skill and tact in making each lesson or subject clear and plain to the novice.

As it would occupy too much of your valuable space, and perhaps be tedious to the reader, I shall not give a detailed report of each day's proceedings, but shall, as I have of the first two days, merely give a sketch in brief of each succeeding day.

About the close of the last exercises of the 2d day, Prof. Kenney appeared in the school-room where the Institute was in session and completed the organization by appointing a secretary, whose duty it should be to call the roll and read the minutes at the opening of each session, consisting of a half day. The following is a brief sketch of the proceedings:

Third Day.—Institute met at 9 o'clock A. M. Roll called and minutes read and approved. Programme—Exercise in English Grammar—conducted by Prof. Kenney. Reces. After recess Arithmetic, conducted by Mrs. T. J. Berry. Afternoon session—Roll called and minutes read. Exercise in Geography conducted by Mrs. T. J. Berry. Experience of a large number of teachers present in opening, grading and conducting schools. The following ladies and gentlemen, composed of members of the Institute and citizens of Sutton were then appointed a committee on resolutions: Mrs. T. J. Berry, Misses H. D. Floyd, Anna D. Newlon, C. E. Berry and Messrs. T. J. Berry, G. F. Taylor, W. F. Morrison, J. P. Berry, T. G. Cutlip, M. T. Frame, H. K. Linger, N. B. Squires and E. S. Hyer.

Fourth Day.—Institute met at 9 o'clock. Roll called and minutes read. Exercise in English Grammar by Prof. Kenney. Exercise in Arithmetic by Prof. Kenney. Afternoon session—Essay by T. G. Cutlip on Education, and criticized by the Institute. Exercise in English Grammar by Prof. Kenney. Essay by John P. Berry and criticisms by the Institute. Exercise in History by Mrs. T. J. Berry. Geography by Mrs. Berry. Arithmetic by Prof. Kenney. Declarations by Misses A. D. Newlon and C. M. Morrison.

Fifth Day.—Institute met at 9 o'clock. Roll called and minutes read. Exercises in English Grammar by Prof. Kenney. Essay by J. W. Humphreys on "What Constitutes a Good School," and criticism by the Institute. Arithmetic by Prof. Kenney. Afternoon session as usual, closing with vocal music.

Sixth Day.—The forenoon session was conducted as usual, and closed with an essay by W. H. Jack. Seventh Day.—The programme of this session was similar to previous ones, except Miscellaneous questions from the box. In addition to the usual exercises in the afternoon, an essay was read by Mr. Thomas Dailey. The session closed with vocal music.

According to previous announcement, institute gave a public entertainment, commencing at 8 o'clock P. M., in the school-room, which was opened with music and prayer by Rev. A. Mick. The programme of exercises was as follows: 1st, Essay by C. L. Engel, on School Government. 2d, Essay by W. B. Burk. 3d, Music. 4th, An address by Prof. Kenney on Genius, or the Power of Thought. This able, elaborate and exhaustive address was listened to with profound attention by a large audience, and has elicited a large amount of merited praise. 5th, Miscellaneous questions from the box. 6th, Music.

Eighth Day.—The Institute met at 9 o'clock. Roll called and minutes read. Exercise in Arithmetic, conducted by Prof. Kenney. 2d, An essay by Miss C. E. Berry on Qualification of the Teacher, and discussion on same by the Institute. 3d, Reces. 4th, An exercise in English Grammar by Prof. Kenney. Afternoon session—Met at 1:30. Roll called and minutes read. 1st, Reading by Mrs. T. J. Berry. 2d, Select Reading. 3d, Essay by Miss Anna D. Newlon, on Close Application to Study, and discussion by the Institute. 4th, Vocal Music by the class.

Ninth Day.—Met at 9 o'clock. Roll called and minutes read. 1st, English Grammar, by Prof. Kenney. 2d, Arithmetic by County Superintendent Berry and Prof. Kenney. Afternoon session—1st, Geography by Mrs. T. J. Berry. 2d, Select Reading. 3d, Essay by Levi P. Rogers, and discussion of same by the Institute. 4th, Arithmetic by Prof. Kenney. The Institute met at 7 1/2 P. M. for public exercises. The room was well filled with auditors. The programme was as follows: 1st, Music; 2d, Select Reading by Miss Susan Waggy; 3d, Declaration by Miss C. M. Morrison; 4th, Select Reading by Miss H. D. Floyd; 5th, Select Reading by Miss N. N. Hyer; 6th, Music; 7th, Essay by J. P. Berry on Duties and Relations of Parents to our Free Schools, and discussion of same by the members of the Institute; 8th, Essay by J. M. Hyer on the Duties of the Teacher; 9th, Essay by C. W. Ware on Education—Moral and Intellectual—discussed by members of the Institute; 10th, Essay by H. K. Linger on Education—discussed by members of the Institute; 11th, Music; 12th, An Address by Captain G. F. Taylor on Education the Basis of Society. This address was very interesting, and elicited long applause. 13th, Miscellaneous questions from the box; 14th, Music.

Tenth Day.—Proceedings.

the close of the morning session, when an Essay was read by Joseph A. Pierson on School Discipline, and criticized by the Institute. Afternoon session—Exercises as usual until 2:15, when an essay was read by Miss C. M. Morrison on How to Conduct a Recitation—discussed by the Institute; after which an exercise in English Grammar was closed by Prof. Kenney. An Essay by Miss N. V. Hyer on the Art of Teaching—discussed by the Institute. Essay by Miss Susan Waggy—discussed by Institute. An Essay by Miss H. D. Floyd on Visiting on the Sabbath was read and discussed. Eleventh Day.—Met at usual hour. This being the time appointed for the Committee on Resolutions to report, the Institute proceeded to debate and vote upon the resolutions, with M. T. Frame in the chair and N. B. Squires Secretary. The following preamble and resolutions were adopted: WHEREAS, We, the citizens of Sutton and members of the State Normal Teachers' Institute, held at Sutton, in Braxton county, being appointed a Committee to give expression to our own and the feelings of those we represent; and whereas we have witnessed the workings of said Institute in this place for the last two weeks, and closely observed the character of the exercises, therefore be it

Resolved, That we heartily approve the various steps taken for the improvement of those in attendance, and deem it a privilege and duty to say that we cheerfully pledge our services to the extent of usefulness to such and similar enterprises. And be it further Resolved, That we do hereby tender our thanks to Hon. B. W. Byrne, Superintendent of Free Schools, for appointing a session of the Institute in our town; and we regard the same as but an expression of the interest in common that that gentleman has ever held with the people of this county. And be it further

Resolved, That we tender the thanks of the Committee and the citizens to Prof. Kenney and Mrs. T. J. Berry for the able, efficient and satisfactory manner in which they have conducted the various exercises of the Institute. And be it further

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the earnest, able and learned lecture delivered on Monday evening last to a large and attentive audience by Prof. Kenney, on the mode of Education, practically considered in all its bearings. Resolved, That in order to facilitate them in the discipline and government of schools, and in the art of teaching, we deem it a duty of all teachers of our common schools to subscribe for and read some popular educational journal.

Resolved, That the Legislature be requested to so amend the school law—1st, as that Trustees shall be appointed by the Boards of Education of their respective districts; 2d, that the election for school officers be held at the general election provided for by law for State and county officers; 3d, that the Boards of Education be allowed a reasonable compensation for their services; 4th, that the school month be reduced to twenty days; 5th, that every teacher employed in the Free Schools of West Virginia shall be compelled by law to attend an Institute, either State or county, for at least eight days in a year; 6th, that that section of the school law, lately repealed, requiring teachers to open school each morning by reading a chapter in the Bible, be re-enacted.

Resolved, That we as members of this Institute do hereby tender our thanks to the people of the town of Sutton and vicinity for the interest they have taken in this Institute, evidenced by their prompt attendance. Resolved, That we do hereby tender our thanks to Captain G. F. Taylor for the interesting lecture he delivered to us on Wednesday night, on Education the Basis of Society.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Institute, tender our unfeigned thanks to the President, M. T. Frame, Esq., and the Secretary, Colonel N. B. Squires, and the other members of the Committee on Resolutions, for the interest and care manifested by them in the discharge of their duties. Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Mr. H. K. Linger, of Upshur county, for his presence during the Institute—he being the only member from any of the sister counties, and for the pleasant and scholarly manner in which he so readily participated in the various discussions of the Institute.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the State Superintendent of Free Schools, and that the Weston Democrat be requested to publish the same, and other papers please copy. M. T. FRAME, President. N. B. SQUIRES, Secretary. J. W. HUMPHREYS, Secretary of Institute.

THE Ministers and Deacons Meeting for the Broad Run Association will meet with the Freeman's Creek Baptist Church, on the Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in August, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Programme: 1st, Devotional Exercises. 2d, Introductory Sermon by Elder R. A. Kemper—John 21:16—"Feed my Sheep." 3d, Sermon by Elder L. B. Moore—Romans 5:1—"Being justified by faith." 4th, Sermon by Elder G. A. Woolter—Romans 8:1. 5th, Sermon by Elder L. W. Holden, from a text of his own selection. 6th, Sermon by Elder H. Langford—subject, Sanctification. 7th, Sermon by Elder P. T. L. Queen—subject, The Divinity of Christ. 8th, Sermon by Elder J. A. J. Lightburn—subject, The Atonement. 9th, Sermon by Elder H. E. Carter—James 1:27. 10th, Sermon by Elder J. S. Fisher, from a text of his own selection.

An invitation is extended to the Ministers and Deacons of the Broad Run Association to come prepared with your own subjects. Come prepared to take a part with us. A. J. LIGHTBURN, C. M. LANGFORD, Sec'y.

Disagreement and Discharge of the Brooklyn Jury.

At last we have an end of the great Beecher-Tilton trial, and some people will call it a "most lame and impotent conclusion." After a six months' session the jury have been discharged for lack of ability to agree, standing at the last nine for acquittal and three for conviction, or, in other words, nine for Beecher and three for Tilton.

JAMES JACKSON is building a large three-story brick business house at Jane Lew.

No further particulars have yet been heard in relation to the murder of Captain Bland.

The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry of West Virginia will be held at Point Pleasant, West Virginia, August 17th.

W. W. BRANNON, of this place, was granted a State Certificate as a Teacher, by Professor Kenney, at the Teachers' Institute recently held at Buckhannon.

THE DAILY MAIL, from this place to Gauley Bridge, is as yet a novelty. It creates a great deal of additional work in the offices along the route.

"YANKEE NOTIONS," as a general rule, are our obomination; but if a few more of our business men would imitate the vim and enterprise of Aspinall & Rohrbough, Weston would soon be a town to be proud of. The new hitching-post recently erected by them are an institution which entitles them to the thanks of the community.

We surrender a good deal of our space this week to the report of the Teachers' Institute, held at Sutton; but we make no apology therefor, inasmuch as it contains matter of interest to every one interested in Free Schools.

HON. S. B. ELKINS, of New Mexico, who lately married Miss Hallie, daughter of Hon. Henry G. Davis, has been re-nominated by the Republicans as a delegate in Congress for that Territory.

THE CAPITAL QUESTION.—The injunction, against the removal of the State Capital from Charleston to Wheeling will be argued before the Supreme Court of appeals, which meets at Charlestown, Jefferson county, on the first Wednesday in August, next.

THE SPECIAL TERM.—Those interested should not forget that Judge Brannon will hold a special term of the Circuit Court of this county, commencing on Monday, July 19th.

MISS MARY THRENEY, of this place, graduated with distinguished honors at the recent Commencement of the Mount De Chantal Seminary. She was one among the few who received a gold medal in addition to a diploma.

PERSONAL.—Hon. Henry G. Davis, United States Senator from West Virginia, is worth half a million dollars. It is but a few years since he was a railroad conductor, in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and was known by those who traveled over that road as the "accommodating conductor." His genial manners and accommodating dispositions, has had a great influence in his elevation to position.

WEST VIRGINIA AND THE CENTENNIAL.—Nothing of importance has yet taken place to awaken general interest in the important matter of the State of West Virginia being represented at the Centennial next year; but it is to be expected that when Governor Jacobs appoints that Board of Commissioners to act in connection with the United States appointees that their combined efforts will result in something. Meantime the press of the State could do valuable service and their duty to her citizens by awakening their interest in this matter.

Go to the News Depot for reading matter. That Tea at 75 cts per pound and Coffee 23cts at Chalfant & Moore's.

THE PEOPLE WANT PROOF.—There is no medicine prescribed by physicians, or sold by druggists, that carries such evidence of its success and superior virtue as Beecher's German Syrup for severe Coughs, Colds settled on the Breast, Consumption, or any disease of the Throat and Lungs, a proof of that fact is that any person afflicted, can get a Sample Bottle for 10 cents and try its superior effect before buying the regular size at 75 cts. It has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wonderful cures are astonishing everyone that uses it. Three doses will relieve any case. Try it. Sold by Dr. G. B. Simpson & Co., Druggists, Weston.

Dr. A. M. DENT has located permanently in Weston for the practice of his profession. Having attended a thorough course of lectures at Sterling Medical College, after an experience of twelve years as a practical druggist, the Doctor has obtained not only an accurate knowledge of diseases, but also, from his long experience as a druggist, understands perfectly, the properties of medicines, and their application in the treatment of disease. The Doctor can be found at his residence on Centre Street, nearly opposite the Court House. All calls, night and day, promptly attended to.

Best English and American Seythas at Chalfant & Moore's. Theodore Tilton's noted novel, "Tempest Tossed," for rent at the News Depot. Sugar Cured Ham, Sausages, Pickles, Olives and Window Glass at Chalfant & Moore's. Mowing Machines, Rakes, Wagons and Plows at Chalfant & Moore's. Nails, Builders' Hardware, Tools, &c., at Chalfant & Moore's.

Rev W L Austin will preach in the Presbyterian Church Sunday—morning and evening.

ICE CREAM FESTIVAL.—The Sewing Circle of the M. E. Church propose to have an Ice Cream Festival in the old Sanford store-room, on Tuesday night, the 18th inst. The public generally are invited.

Dr. GEORGE B. MORRIS, of the firm of Morris, Jarrett & Hall, Dentists, 341, 5th Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., will visit this place twice a year—spring and fall—notwithstanding others report to the contrary.

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To the Stockholders of the Weston & West Fork Railroad Company. In pursuance of an order of the Board of Directors of said company, passed by a majority of said Directors, the 8th day of May, 1875, a meeting of the said Stockholders will be held at the principal office of said Company in Weston, Lewis county, West Virginia, on the 17th day of July, 1875, to consider the proposition increasing the capital stock of said Company from seventy-five thousand to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

HENRY BRANNON, President. W. G. BENNETT, Secretary. May 8, 1875—mild

West Virginia to-wit: At rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Lewis county on the first Monday in July, 1875. James W. Miller, Nathaniel Bush and Charles A. Williams plaintiffs. Festus Williams and others defendants. IN CHANCERY

The object of this is to fix a liability on Festus Williams in favor of Nathaniel Bush, James W. Miller, Charles A. Williams and John D. Ward for money paid by them as sureties for Festus Williams in a bond given by Festus Williams and others to A. J. W. Woodford, conditioned for the faithful discharge by said Festus Williams of his duties as a deputy of A. W. Woodford, Sheriff of Lewis county, and to subject a debt in the hands of Elizabeth Waldo due to Festus Williams.

And it appearing that Festus Williams is a non-resident of this State, it is ordered that he appear at the Clerk's office aforesaid, at rules to be held therein for the said Court on the first Monday in August next, and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. Teste W. H. BYRNE, Clerk. Henry Brannon, p q July 12 4-w

West Virginia to-wit: At rules held in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Lewis county on the first Monday in July, 1875. R. P. Camden and R. D. Camden, surviving partners of R. P. Camden, G. D. Camden and Minter Bailey and others plaintiffs. John Rayner, Jr., defendants. IN CHANCERY

The object of this suit is to enforce a vendition lien for \$200, with interest from the 15th day of March, 1855 until paid, against a tract of 159 acres of land lying on Sheep Camp Run of Indian Fork of Sand Fork of the Little Kanawha River in Lewis county, sold by R. P. Camden, G. D. Camden and Minter Bailey on the 15th day of March, 1855 to John Rayner for 100 acres, and to obtain compensation for an excess of 59 acres at the rate of 80 per cent. as of the day of sale. And it appearing that defendant John Rayner is a non-resident of this State, it is ordered that he appear at the Clerk's office aforesaid, at rules to be held therein for said Court on the last Monday in July, 1875, and do what is necessary to protect his interest herein. Teste J. W. WOOLTER, Clerk. W. G. Bennett, p q July 12 4-w

West Virginia to-wit: At rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Lewis county on the first Monday in July, 1875. E. S. Bowse plaintiff vs Benjamin F. Lovell and others defendants. IN CHANCERY

The object of this suit is to recover against defendant Benjamin F. Lovell the sum of \$215.83 cents, with interest from the 25th day of March, 1875, and the costs of this suit, and to subject to sale to satisfy the same, a tract of 78 acres of land lying in the said county of Lewis, on the left hand fork of Laurel fork, a branch of Fink's Creek, which has been levied on as the property of said Lovell, by virtue of an order of attachment issued in this cause. And it appearing by affidavit filed, that said Lovell is a non-resident of this State, it is ordered that he do appear here at rules to be held in the Clerk's office of said Court, on the first Monday in August next, and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. Teste W. H. BYRNE, Clerk. Henry Brannon p q July 12 4-w

West Virginia to-wit: At rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Lewis county on the first Monday in July, 1875. George A. Horner & Co. plaintiffs vs Benjamin F. Lovell and others defendants. IN CHANCERY

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